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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Amend the paragraph on page 13, at line 26-page 14, line 19, as follows:

When a form window (2) is opened for the first time [Box r and s, FIG. 15], it may appear with some or all of the boxes (6) blank, as shown in the example in FIG. 1. The form window is displayed on the screen of the computing device and also displayed within the form window is a DropZone button [(10)] (12) [Box s, FIG. 15]. The user may wish to enter in values for some or all of the boxes (6) [Box u, FIG. 15], which values are displayed on the screen [Box v, FIG. 15], before clicking on the OK button (10) to initiate some action. However, before clicking on the OK button the user may wish to save the data which has been filled in on the form thus far. The open form window (2) displays a DropZone button [(10)] (12). According to this first embodiment, when the DropZoneTM button is clicked by a user [Box w, FIG. 15], an instruction selection box (14) is displayed on the screen of the computing device [Box x, FIG. 15]. To save the data already input in the boxes (6) of the form window (2) the user clicks on the DropZoneTM button [(10)] (12) of the form window (2) to display the instruction selection box (14) and then selects the `Save` option from the box (14) [Box y, FIG. 15]. In response to this a standard file save window (20), for example as shown in FIG. 3, is displayed on the screen so that the user can select a destination folder and DropZoneTM file name for the data to be saved. The user can input a new file name in the `file name` box (22) or can select to re-write the data to an already existing file, eg. file (20) named `senior contractor.dzn`. The display values from the form window (2) including data input by the user are stored in the newly named or selected file as correlations, for example as name/value pairs as described above [Box z, FIG. 15].

Amend the paragraph on page 14, at line 21-page 15, line 7, as follows:

Where the user wishes to load data from a DropZoneTM file into the boxes (6) of an open form window (2), the DropZoneTM button [(10)] (12) is clicked by a user [Box d, FIG. 13] and an instruction selection box (14) is displayed on the screen of the computing device [Box e, FIG. 13]. Then the user selects the `Load` option of the instruction selection box (14) [Box f, FIG. 13] and a standard file-picker window (16), shown in FIG. 2 is displayed on the screen of the computing device [Box g, FIG. 13]. The user then selects the appropriate one of the listed and

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previously saved DropZone™ files, in this example `senior contractor.dzn`, and then clicks on the open button (18) [Box h, FIG. 13]. This action fills in the boxes (6) of the form window (2) with data stored in the file `senior contractor.dzn` [Box i, FIG. 13]. Alternatively, where the form window (2) and the file-picker window (16) are presented side by side on the screen of the computing device, the file system's drag and drop mechanism could be used to drag the relevant file icon (20) over onto the form window (2) and to drop the icon on the DropZone™ button (12) of the form window (2). This icon (20) represents a file that was previously saved, as described below. Similarly, this action fills in the boxes (6) of the form window (2) with data stored in the file `senior contractor.dzn`.

Amend the paragraph on page 15, at lines 9-19, as follows:

For example, a user might wish to fill in the boxes (6) of the form window (2) with descriptors `Address`, `City`, `Province` and `Postal Code` and then use the DropZone™ button [(10)] (12) and the `Save` option from the instruction selection box (14) to save personalized address information in a new file with a file name `address.dzn`. Then when the user has to next fill out a form window requiring address information and using the same GUI element names, the DropZone™ button [(10)] (12) and the `Load` option from the instruction selection box (14) could be used to fill in the boxes (6) of the form window (2) with descriptors `Address`, `City`, `Province` and `Postal Code` by selecting the file having the file name `address.dzn`.

Amend the paragraph on page 15, at lines 21-26, as follows:

As described above, when a user elects to save data using the DropZone™ button [(10)] (12) and the `save` option, the data in all of the fields (6) filled in at that time on the form window (2) are saved by default. This may be more or less information than the user wishes to save and the user may wish to add or remove some of the fields or elements for which data is saved.

Amend the paragraph on page 15, at line 28-page 16, line 15, as follows:

According to a second embodiment of the present invention, the DropZone™ system can be used to change the data type descriptor fields of a form window (2). For example, the present invention enables a form window to be translated into different languages without having to re-program the GUI application. In the present example, a user would simply open the form

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window (2) and before inputting any data into the form window would press the DropZone™ button [(10)] (12) [Box xi, FIG. 17]. Then the edit option would be selected from the instruction selection box (14) [Box xii and xiii, FIG. 17] and a file picker window would be displayed [Box xiv, FIG. 17] from which a data storage file would be selected [Box xv, FIG. 17]. The selected data storage file is opened and its contents are displayed on the screen as an edit DropZone Script file [Box xvi, FIG. 17]. The edit DropZone Script file could then be edited by amending the values after the comma in the name/value pairs beginning with `mo` so that the value is in the different language [Box xvii, FIG. 17]. The edit DropZone Script file is then saved using the `Save As` button, for example the file could be called `new language.dzn` [Box xviii and ix, FIG. 17]. Then when the form window (2) is required in the different language, the DropZone™ file entitled `new language.dzn` is simply loaded onto the form window (2).

Amend the paragraph on page 16, at line 17-page 17, line 7, as follow:

[0075] To edit a DropZone™ file, the DropZone™ button [(10)] (12) on a relevant form window (2) is clicked [Box xi, FIG. 17] and the `Edit` option is selected from the instruction selection box (14) [Box xii and xiii, FIG. 17]. In response, a standard file-picker window (16), shown in FIG. 2 is displayed on the screen of the computing device [Box xiv, FIG. 17]. The user then selects the appropriate one of the listed DropZone™ files to edit, in this example `senior contractor.dzn`, and then clicks on the open button (18) [Box xv, FIG. 17]. In response an edit script window (24) as shown in FIG. 4 is displayed on the screen of the computing device [Box xvi, FIG. 17]. In the edit script window (24) the user is presented with all of the name/value pairs stored in the opened DropZone™ file in an editable text area. There may be some fields which are no longer of interest to the user and so the lines relating to those fields can simply be deleted. The user may wish to add additional fields to the edit script window (24) by adding additional name/value pairs. Also, existing name/value pairs can be amended, for example to change the data type descriptors (4) or the data which will populate the boxes (6) of the form window [Box xvii, FIG. 17]. Once the user has made the desired changes to the edit script window (24), the `Save` or `Save As` options can be selected by the user. The `Save` option will use the title of the opened DropZone™ file as the title of the amended file. The `Save As` option will allow the user to create a new or select an existing destination folder and file name for the amended file [Box xviii and ix, FIG. 17].

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Amend the paragraph on page 17, at lines 19-29, as follows:

When a user is populating a form window (2) using the DropZone™ button ~~[[(10)]]~~ (12) in accordance with the present invention, there is an option of loading the data by selecting `One Click Load` (28) from the instruction selection box (14) [Box o, FIG. 14]. When this option is selected the DropZone™ system automatically searches a default location for a file that has the same name as the title of the form window (2) [Box p, FIG. 14]. The default location will generally be one or more folders which have been designated by the user for storing DropZone™ files. If such a file is found in the search then it is automatically loaded, ie. the form window (2) is populated with the data stored in that DropZone™ file [Box q, FIG. 14].